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 Lüers et al. : Docket: W9465-02
 Serial No. 09/546,735 : Art Unit: 1711
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 For: A Matting Agent for Radiation
 Curing Coating

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2001, the period for response thereto having been extended by three (3) months to December 19, 2001, in view of the enclosed Request for Extension of Time and the authorization to charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account 07-1770, Applicants request that the above-identified patent application be amended as follows.

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In the Claims

Please cancel claims 24 and 26 without prejudice or disclaimer.

1. (Once Amended) A matting agent composition comprising silica and wax wherein the ^{silica?} composition has a median particle size in the range of 2 - 12 microns, a wax content in the range of about ~~45-18~~ to 30% by weight of the total silica composition and the silica has a pore volume in the range of about 0.8 to 1.4 cc/g.

6. (Once Amended) A matting agent composition according to claim 1

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